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SUBJECT:EXPERT WORKING GROUPS ON MIDDLE EAST, OCTOBER 2-5

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1. WHILE AGREEING TO PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR DISCUSSIONS ON MIDDLE EAST TRANSMITTED REFTEL, WE SUGGEST EXPANDING DISCUSSIONS AT OCTOBER 2-5 MEETING TO INCLUDE AFGHANISTAN, IRAN AND PAKISTAN. THERE IS NO ESTABLISHED EXPERTS GROUP FOR THESE COUNTRIES AND THE EFFECTS OF RECENT COUP IN AFGHANISTAN ARE WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION BY NATO MEMBERS. SINCE THERE HAVE BEEN FEW NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ARAB MIDDLE EAST SINCE LAST EXPERTS' MEETING, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE LOGICAL TO EXPAND OCTOBER 2-5 MEETING TO INCLUDE THIS SUBJECT.

2. YOU THEREFORE SHOULD PROPOSE ADDITION OF FOLLOWING AGENDA POINT, WHICH COULD BE INSERTED AS POINT "D" IN
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OUTLINE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST TRANSMITTED REFTEL:

D. EFFECTS OF THE JULY 17 COUP IN AFGHANISTAN.

(1) REVIVAL OF PAKTUNISTAN ISSUE; DISTURBANCES IN
BALUCHISTAN.

(2) PAKISTANI, AFGHAN AND IRANIAN GOVERNMENT REACTIONS:
HARDENING ATTITUDES.

(3) IMPLICATIONS FOR EXPANDING SOVIET INFLUENCE IN
AREA AS A RESULT OF COUP. RUSH

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